Rs. 11.20 crore has recently been received from the Government of Kerala.

Setting up of Motels by NHAI

1121. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Highway Authority of India is considering a proposal to set up Motels, snack bars, toilets, fuel stations and dormitories etc. on roads covered by Golden Quadrilateral Project; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether any first aid units have also been included in the proposal; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is in process of developing wayside amenities along different sections of National Highways with facilities of restaurant, toilets, telephone facilities, fuel station, dormitory, first aid, parking space for vehicles, kiosks for sale of miscellaneous/sundry items etc. Two such wayside amenities are in operation at Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway. In Build, Operate and Transfer projects wayside amenities are provided under the Concession Agreements.

Funds for six-laning of Golden Quadrilateral

1122. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to toll out a mega project of Rs. 1,75,000 for six-laning of the entire Golden Quadrilateral network on BOT basis very soon;

(b) if so, the details of the project; and

(c) in what manner Government propose to pool its resources to achieve the above ambitious goal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) The Committee on Infrastructure headed by Prime Minister has approved upgradation of National Highways for the Golden

Quadrilateral linking metro cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata and other high traffic density stretches from four lane to six lane under National Highway Development Project (NHDP) Phase V at an overall estimated cost of Rs. 22,750 crores. Implementation of this Phase V of NHDP is envisaged on Design, Build, Finance and Operate (DBFO) model.

Delhi-Kolkata Highway

†1123. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that construction of highway between Delhi and Kolkata under Golden Quadrilateral Highway Scheme is moving very slowly in Bihar region;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that capital cities, commercial and historical cities in the States located near Golden Quadrilateral highway are proposed to be connected with the said highways; and

(d) if so, the details of the action taken to connect Dobhi with Gaya, Bodhgaya and Patna in Bihar under Golden Quadrilateral Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) The development of NH-2 in Bihar under Golden Quadrilateral Scheme has been split into six packages aggregating to a total length of 206 Kms. Out of this, work in 178 Kms has already been completed and in the remaining 28 Kms, the work is targeted to be completed by December, 2006. There was some delay in execution of work due to problem of land acquisition and general law and order situation in Bihar.

(c) No Sir.

(d) Dobhi on NH-2 is already connected with Gaya, Bodh gaya and Patna through NH-83.

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† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.